

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

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ON ADVERTISE IN AMERICA.



As a citizen of this nation and one intensely interested in its material development, I want to add my approval to the "Buy It in America" movement. Commercial patriotism and business pride are the foundation stones of success in industry and no country can become supreme in commerce and trade unless it fosters a spirit of friendship and partiality for its own products and institutions. It is the spirit of the bive that makes the wheels of industry turn and each community should be a progressive unit in our industrial universe. All things being equal the farmer should patronize the local merchant, who is always a good citizen, a heavy taxpayer and friend of the farmer. The farmer sends shiploads of raw material to foreign markets and factories that most on their way vessels laden with finished and foreign grown products coming to America. Any effort to minimize this economic waste ought to be encouraged.

But as a farmer and friend of the manufacturer and merchant I want to suggest an "Advertise It in America" movement. The manufacturer and merchant may blow loud blasts on the horn of patriotism but if they will put an "ad" in the newspapers in their trade territory, making a business presentation of their goods, they will find it far more effective than waving the Star-Spangled Banner. The farmer is as much interested in the price of the things he has to buy in the price of the things he has for sale and the advertising columns of his newspaper are his price list. The price is the thing and the farmer wants the figures in cold type. The politicians give him all the patriotic blarney he cares for. Business enterprise is a far more successful salesman than business patriotism.

There are many most worthy organizations working to promote commerce and trade but we seldom find organized effort to promote the press, yet it is recognized as the most powerful agency for progress the world has ever produced. We have all sorts of days calculated to promote business and honor industry such as Trade Days, Bargain Days, Labor Days, etc.; why not have a press day and all business concerns advertise the things they have to sell and everybody subscribe for the local paper and all delinquents pay a year in advance? There is nothing so elevating in civilization as the smile of an editor and nothing will contribute more toward the welfare of a community than the prosperity of the press.

The farmer is a friend and patron of the newspapers. He subscribes for the local paper and reads every line in it and it is the best investment he can make. There is no news so valuable as store news; no information so interesting as market demands; no tragedy so entertaining as the rise and fall of prices and no page more closely studied by the farmers than the advertising columns of the press.

STUDYING UPPER AIR

With aid of kite To assist the Weather Bureau in making its forecasts, and also to enable a systematic study of the mechanics of the upper atmosphere, the government has established an aerological station near Elk City, Nebraska. The May Popular Mechanics Magazine gives an account of the work being done there. Conditions prevailing at elevations up to approximately 20,000 feet are being determined by means of self-recording instruments attached to box kites which are flown regularly.

In the past our weather predictions have been based upon observations made at the ground, or in the lower strata of air. The place where storms originate, however, is in the zone lying between one and three miles above the earth. The inaccuracies of forecasts are due largely to the observer's ignorance of conditions existing in the actual storm region. By having a fairly continuous record of the wind velocity, temperature, barometric pressure, and humidity of the upper air, a forecaster has quite complete data from which to make accurate determinations. It is primarily for the purpose of collecting information of this kind and obviating the greatest chances for mistakes in weather predictions, that the kite-flying station is being operated.

JACK AND TOWING TRUCK

FOR AUTOMOBILES A combination jack and towing truck for automobiles has been invented which consists of two 10-in.

iron wheels supporting a lifting post and drawn by a long bent handle which has a wheel on a swivel near its bend. A lever for raising and lowering the post, about 30 in. long, projects from the jack parallel with the handle. To raise a car the jack, previously adjusted, is rolled under the axle with the curved end of the lever turned up. By pressing this down the axle is raised so that it disengages the low-lying handle can be drawn back under the wheels. The device can easily be made to do the work of a turntable. For towing a disabled car on a thoroughfare a straight handle is substituted and a special top and clamp are fastened to the post by which the axle is held firmly in position.—From the May Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Dangers of Draft

Drafts feel best when we are hot and perspiring, just then they are most dangerous and the result is Neuralgia, Stiff Neck, Sore Muscles or sometimes an attack of rheumatism. In such cases apply Sloan's Liniment. It stimulates circulation to the sore and painful part. The blood flows freely and in a short time the stiffness and pain leaves. Those suffering from Neuralgia or Neuralgic Headache will find one or two applications of Sloan's Liniment will give grateful relief. The agonizing pain give way to a tingling sensation of comfort and warmth and quiet rest and sleep is possible. Good for Neuritis too. Price 25c at all Drugists.

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Wauseon, Ohio

WILLIS SELECTED

Governor Frank B. Willis Chosen by Senator Burton to Present His Name to The Republican National Convention at Chicago in June.

Former United States Senator, Theodore E. Burton, has chosen Governor Frank B. Willis of Ohio to present his name to the Republican National Convention in Chicago, in June, as a candidate for the Republican nomination for president. The honor conferred upon Ohio's governor is great because of the fact that Ohio is looked upon by other states of the Union as the best state. All eyes are upon Ohio. Ohio's favorite son, Senator Burton, is one of the foremost candidates for the presidency. His strength is not only in his own state, but in East and West as well. His great record in Congress makes him one of the most formidable candidates and many of the newspapers, and other periodicals of the East and West, concede that he will be a commanding figure in the convention, while many of them express it as their opinion that he will be the nominee.

Not only is Governor Willis honored by having been selected to name Burton to the convention, but another Ohioan has been chosen to be the keynote of the convention, as temporary chairman. This is Senator Warren G. Harding of Marion. His selection was unanimous, and he is being looked upon to give to the people of the Nation, the Republican view of the coming campaign.

Ohio, therefore, must put her best foot forward in the coming April primary. Not only must she give Senator Burton a big vote in the presidential preference ballot, but she must give to Senator Harding and Governor Willis and to William Cooper Proctor and Hon. John J. Sullivan, a vote which will be a credit to the state and to the Republican party. To maintain the standing in the convention which will be accorded to Ohio, her delegates must be given the unqualified endorsement of the Republican voters of the state. They must stand together as a unit. These candidates for delegate at large have been endorsed by nearly every county and district in the state. They are the big men of Ohio whom the Republicans want to represent them at this history making convention. The attention of republican stars is centered on the fact that the presidential preference ballot to be voted and that Hon. Theodore E. Burton's name is the only Republican name on the ballot for president. The names of Governor Willis, Senator Harding, Mr. Proctor and Mr. Sullivan will be on a separate ballot, for delegate at large. The primary is April 25, and it is the duty of every Republican to vote.

OBITUARY.

The deceased Lydia Benfield, daughter of William and Mary Wolf, who departed this life April 19, 1916, at Kokomo, Indiana, was born September 16th, 1895, in Fulton County, Ohio. On October 13th, 1895, she received Holy baptism and was instructed in the doctrines of the Christian church and was thus prepared for confirmation, which took place in the Lutheran church at Pettisville, Ohio, on the 4th day of April 1909, and thus became a member of said church.

On the 20th day of March she was united in marriage with Mr. Frank Benfield, of Pettisville, Ohio, and was of short duration; she became sick about three weeks ago and last Sunday morning she took her last breath. The body was sent to the home of Mr. Wolf, three and one half miles north of Pettisville, where funeral services were held and also in the Lutheran church at Pettisville, Tuesday April 18th, 1916. Rev. P. H. Schaff, who had baptized, instructed and confirmed the departed young sister, conducted the services. Interment took place in the Lutheran cemetery at Pettisville.

She arrived at an age of twenty years and seven months. She leaves besides her husband, her parents three brothers and four sisters. No, no, it is not dying, Heaven's citizen to be; A crown immortal wearing And rest unbroken sharing From care and conflict free.

GRAIN LOADER DOES WORK OF HARVEST HANDS

A labor-saving agricultural machine, described in the May number of Popular Mechanics Magazine, dispenses with harvest hands employed in the field in loading grain to be stacked or to supply a threshing machine. It is called a "shock loader" and will fill a wagon rack in less than two and a half minutes. It weighs 2,800 lb., is drawn by four horses, and is operated by the driver alone. The principal parts of the machine are the "pickers" and three carriers. The pickers, whose position is analogous to that of the cutting knives on a combine, lift the bundles of grain and deposit them on a carrier by which they are transferred to a horizontal carrier at the rear; from this the grain is raised on an inclined elevator and dropped into wagons which move alongside the machine. The pickers are 6-in. spies fastened to a 6-ft. steel bar. They grasp the bundles and the turn of the bar deposits them on the carrier. The pickers also gather up the loose grain about the shocks. A 20-in. drive-wheel operates the carriers, pickers, etc. The machine will do the work of several men pitching bundles in the field and can load six wagons fast enough to supply a threshing outfit as rapidly as the men can work under the old method. This loader is also used advantageously in loading alfalfa, for it does not shake off the dry leaves, as is done in hand loading.

RACK DISINFECTS PENCILS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Lead pencils are germ carriers which may transmit disease, especially to children, most of whom have the habit of putting pencils in their mouths. A New Jersey inventor has devised a rack to disinfect pencils against this danger. This rack consists of a square metal frame, or case, about three inches deep. In its top are small holes through which pencils may be inserted. Beneath the top is a tablet of clay composition in which are depressions corresponding to the holes above. Into these the pencil ends project, without touching the clay, and are disinfected by formalin gas exuding from the clay, which has been previously charged with that disinfectant. The pencil of each child may be assigned a certain place in the rack.—From the May Popular Mechanics Magazine.

There's No Place Like Home

YOUR HOME IS IN THIS TOWN
If you are asked you will declare that you're
STRONG FOR THE HOME.
ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS.
Patronize the local merchant.
READ THE HOME PAPER

INDOOR WORKER IS HANDICAPPED

Office Men Often Pay Penalty of Indoor Grind.

We can't all be devotees of the great outdoors, and so the office men and women too often pay the penalty of the all-day grind at the desk.

There comes in many cases the sluggishness that is bred of physical inactivity and the ailments that mark the indoor man for their own.

To say "I feel good all over" is to speak the acme of content, and when this is supplemented by a steady, healthy increase in weight after a long period of suffering, the fortunate man usually feels that he wants to share his good luck with the less fortunate "fellows."

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Satisfied users of Tanlac have proven to be Tanlac's best advertisers. Men and women, from the highest to the lowest walks of life, everywhere are testifying daily to the relief Tanlac has brought them. No other remedy has won such endorsements, that can only come from superlative merit. Tanlac is being especially introduced in Wauseon, Ohio, at the Pink & Haumesser Drug Store where the Tanlac Man is daily explaining it and the results that may be expected from its use.

Tanlac may be obtained in Fayette at the King Drug Store; Bryan, Culbertson Drug Co.; Napoleon, J. S. Schaff.

INLET. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bachman visited Sunday with their uncle Alfred Doriot, at Pioneer, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keffer and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith near Munson.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lane visited Sunday with Clarence Lane and family.

Roy Blair of Toledo, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blair of Wauseon, visited Sunday with Homer Blair and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fowler, Dave Ricker and family and Mr. Frank Cook spent Sunday with V. M. Fowler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brink and Miss Ora Bachman spent Sunday at Bachman Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shaffer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Witt visited Sunday at Willis Patterson's.

Mrs. Cora Cowgill and daughter Mae, and Mrs. Eliza Cone spent Sunday with Mrs. Sarah Shaffer at Fayette.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stubbins are the proud parents of a boy born April 16th.

I. E. Crow and family spent Sunday with Chas. Schlegel and family near Waldron.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Boyes a son, Wednesday April 12th.

OTTOKEE ITEMS. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ledyard entertained the following at Sunday dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Norris and sons Charles and Frank of Delta and Dr. O. L. Norris of Deshler.

Walter Rockwell went to Toledo Sunday where he will take a position in the Overland.

Sarah Rockwell and family of Henry county spent Sunday with her son Louis and family.

MANY YOUNG MEN UNFIT FOR WAR

Unable to Pass Physical Examination.

CAPTAIN PINKSTON'S FIGURES

Of 41,168 Men Examined Only 3,833 Were Accepted as Physically Fit For Government Service—Medical Men Give as One Reason That Vitality Has Been Sapped by Alcohol and Excesses Caused by Drink.

New York.—(Special.)—Discussion of probable war has aroused interest in a table prepared by Captain L. P. Pinkston of the United States marine corps staff, stationed in this city. The table shows that of all applicants for enlistment the country over last year, only 9.31 per cent were accounted physically fit for government service. This is an average of one man in each eleven examined.

In all districts of the country 41,168 men were examined, and of this number but 3,833 were accepted. Of the 11,012 applicants examined in this city, only 316 were accepted for enlistment. In Baltimore, 1,786 were examined and 183 accepted. Cleveland, 2,812 examined and 175 accepted. Cincinnati, 1,165 examined and 199 accepted. In Chicago, 4,443 were examined and 434 accepted. In San Francisco, 2,732 were examined and 224 accepted.

This is the startling condition which confronts the United States. When it comes to real preparedness, men are of far more moment than money. There is plenty of money in the country, but Captain Pinkston's figures are just cause for alarm when men are considered.

Medical men in and out of military circles are not slow in detailing the causes of the physical unfitness of so many young Americans. One of these reasons is that alcoholic liquors and the excesses which many of those who drink are prone to indulge in sap the vitality of the young manhood of the country.

Captain Pinkston's statistics are causing much concern. England faced the same trouble when she engaged in the present war. Drink had undermined the strength and vitality of many of her young men. If only one out of eleven applicants for service in this country are found fit, our real fighting strength is greatly weakened.

A large proportion of saloon patrons in the United States are under 30 years of age. It is the young men who are being ground through the saloon mill. Drink renders men unfit for military duty as well as for the general duties of citizenship.

200 SALOONS CLOSED

Sweeping Victory of Drys in Province of Manitoba.

The province of Manitoba, Canada, which voted dry recently, has an area twice as great as that of Ohio. Many former Ontarians are now citizens of the province. Winnipeg, the capital, has a population of 150,000. That city voted dry by a big majority. Two hundred saloons and many wholesale houses will close June 1.

Canada is rapidly becoming dry. Prince Edward Island is entirely dry. Nova Scotia is all under prohibition except the city of Halifax. New Brunswick has prohibition in ten of her fifteen counties. Quebec has 908 dry towns and only 237 wet. The province of Saskatchewan is all dry. The province of Alberta voted for prohibition last July. Ontario and British Columbia are getting ready to vote.

CLEVELAND OFFICIALS AND JOHN BARLEYCORN

Drinking on Duty By Employees Will Not Be Tolerated.

Cleveland, O.—(Special.)—Anti-drinking orders are expected to be posted in all municipal departments of this city soon. Department directors have declared unanimously that all employees found drinking liquor while on duty will be instantly discharged.

Utilities Director Farrell says: "Drinking liquor while on duty will not be tolerated. No drinking goes on city time."

Finance Director Neal says: "Instant dismissal is the punishment for all workers in my department who take a nip during working hours."

The action of the officials is causing a flutter among the thousand employees, but the orders are accepted in good spirit.

Saloonkeepers Want Protection. The Ohio Liquor league appeals to the state liquor licensing board to protect saloonkeepers from bootleggers and speakeasy keepers. This is a frank admission of the failure of license. The brewers have a strong grip on the liquor business of the state and sell as readily to unlicensed as to licensed dealers.

Had to Cater to An. "I don't like the way this hotel is run!" carped a peevish young traveling salesman. "Neither do I," replied the landlord of Primmtown tavern; "but I've got to entertain all the fools that come along as well as the sensible people."—Judge.

His Age is Against Him. "I am 62 years old and I have been troubled with kidneys and bladder for a good many years," writes Arthur Jones, Allen, Kans. "My age is against me to ever get cured, but Foley Kidney Pills do more good than anything I ever tried." Rheumatism, aching back, shooting pains, stiff joints, irregular action, all have been relieved. Fink & Haumesser.

PRINTING!

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PITY THE POOR BLIND. In speaking of the work of the Ohio Commission for the Blind Governor Willis in his address at the opening of the new quarters for the Commission at Columbus said: "No one," said the Governor, "would wish to place a monetary value upon a pair of eyes, nevertheless, it is a fact that the state is saving thousands of dollars as a result of the commission's practical methods for the conservation of vision. It costs a great deal more to educate a child without sight than with sight, and if adult life has to be spent in darkness, additional public funds may be required to provide financial relief. It can easily be shown that, for the increased appropriation given the commission for the saving of eyes, Ohio will be spared many times that amount of money for the future care of those who might otherwise have been blind. I leave it to you to place an estimate upon the human happiness which has been given to those who are able to see today as a result of this campaign to save sight."

From time immemorial the cry has been "Pity the Poor Blind." The state, through this commission, is making every effort to enable those who are already sightless to do what they can to be usefully and happily employed. Those who have seen or blind friends working this afternoon and have examined the useful, attractive and well made articles rejoice that a new day has dawned for those who have appealed to us to give them an opportunity to take their places, so far as possible, in the economic world.

Helen Keller has told us that "The heaviest burden on the blind is not blindness, but idleness, and they can be relieved of this greater burden. The state can teach the blind to work, but their fellow citizens must furnish the market for their products." The commission for the blind, by virtue of its more adequate quarters, which are said to be as well adapted to their purpose as any in the country, is

going to be able to send an ever-increasing supply of work to those who are asking to do their part in this work-a-day world. I am glad to have this opportunity to acknowledge the hearty co-operation which has been given to the commission for the blind by the press, merchants, women's clubs and the public in this worthy effort to find a market for the work of the blind and thus help them to themselves.

PRINCESS THEATRE. Elmdorf Travel Talks. TO TELL OF DALMATIA AND MONTENEGRO

Dwight Elmdorf's beautifully illustrated travel talk on Dalmatia, with side trips into neighboring states of Herzegovina and Montenegro, will be the offering at Princess Theatre on Monday April 24th.

Dalmatia, it will be remembered, corresponds very closely to the ancient kingdom of Illyria, where Shakespeare placed the scenario of his "Twelfth Night." This delightful little country with its island studded coast, its medieval cities, and its stirring history, promises to make this travel talk one of sharp contrasts with those which have already been given during the past months. The lecturer will first introduce his hearers to Fiume at the northern end of the Adriatic sea, and will then continue his tour to Zara, the Capital of the country. Following the visit to this interesting city, there will be shown in turn, Sebenico, Trau, Spalato, Salona, Ragusa, Curzola, Carraro and Cettigne. The latter city, which is the capital of Montenegro, is said to be one of the most picturesque places in the world being described by the lecturer as an oasis in a sea of rocks.

Each step of the journey will be illustrated and it promises to be a revelation to those who are wearied of the hackneyed paths. Special matinee for school children at 4 p. m.



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